

We Claim:

1. A digital cellular handset comprising:  
an antenna;

5 a radio transceiver connected to said antenna;  
a radio analog-to-digital converter and a digital-  
to-analog converter connected to said transceiver;

a digital cellular processor/microcontroller  
connected to said radio analog-to-digital and digital-to-  
10 analog converters;

an Internet protocol processor/microcontroller  
connected to said digital cellular processor/microcontroller;  
an audio analog-to-digital converter and a digital-  
to-analog converter connected to said Internet protocol  
15 processor/microcontroller; and

a speaker connected to said audio digital-to-analog  
converter and a microphone connected to said audio analog-to-  
digital converter; wherein,

in the receive direction the transceiver receives  
20 radio signals from said antenna and converts them into analog  
baseband signals, the radio analog-to-digital converter  
converts said analog baseband signals into raw data signals,  
the digital cellular processor/microcontroller processes said  
raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol

25 packetized data stream, the Internet protocol  
processor/microcontroller unpacketizes and processes said  
voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a  
voice data stream, the audio digital-to-analog converter  
converts said voice data stream into analog waveforms, and the  
30 speaker broadcasts said analog waveforms, and,

in the transmit direction the microphone receives analog waveforms, the audio analog-to-digital converter converts said analog waveforms into raw data signals, the Internet protocol processor/microcontroller packetizes and processes said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream, the digital cellular processor/microcontroller processes said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a digital cellular compatible data stream, the radio digital-to-analog converter converts said digital cellular compatible data stream into analog signals, and the transceiver converts the analog signals into a modulated radio carrier signal which is forwarded to said antenna.

2. The digital cellular handset of claim 1 further comprising a voice electronic switch selectively switchable between a first condition in which said digital cellular processor/microcontroller is connected to said audio analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog converters when said handset is in normal voice mode, and a second condition in which said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller is connected to said audio analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog converters when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

3. The digital cellular handset of claim 1 further comprising a data electronic switch selectively switchable between a first condition in which said digital cellular/microcontroller is connected to an external data interface when said handset is in normal data mode, and a second condition in which said digital cellular

processor/microcontroller is connected to said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

5 4. The digital cellular handset of claim 2 further comprising a data electronic switch selectively switchable between a first condition in which said digital cellular/microcontroller is connected to an external data interface when said handset is in normal data mode, and a  
10 second condition in which said digital cellular processor/microcontroller is connected to said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

15 5. The digital cellular handset of claim 1 wherein said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream is packetized in accordance with one of the H.323, Session Initiation Protocol (SIP), and Media Gateway Control Protocol (MGCP) Internet protocols.

20 6. The digital cellular handset of claim 5 wherein said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller includes memory for storing Internet protocol software, and said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller runs said Internet protocol  
25 software to unpacketize and process said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into said voice data stream.

7. A digital cellular handset comprising:  
30 an antenna;

a radio transceiver connected to said antenna;  
a radio analog-to-digital converter connected to  
said transceiver;

a digital cellular processor/microcontroller  
5 connected to said radio analog-to-digital converter;  
an Internet protocol processor/microcontroller  
connected to said digital cellular processor/microcontroller;  
an audio digital-to-analog converter connected to  
said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller; and

10 a speaker connected to said audio digital-to-analog  
converter; wherein,

the transceiver receives radio signals from said  
antenna and converts them into analog baseband signals, the  
radio analog-to-digital converter converts said analog  
15 baseband signals into raw data signals, the digital cellular  
processor/microcontroller processes said raw data signals into  
a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream, the  
Internet protocol processor/microcontroller unpacketizes and  
processes said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data  
20 stream into a voice data stream, the audio digital-to-analog  
converter converts said voice data stream into analog  
waveforms, and the speaker broadcasts said analog waveforms.

8. The digital cellular handset of claim 7 further  
25 comprising a voice electronic switch selectively switchable  
between a first condition in which said digital cellular  
processor/microcontroller is connected to said audio digital-  
to-analog converter when said handset is in normal voice mode,  
and a second condition in which said Internet protocol  
30 processor/microcontroller is connected to said audio digital-

to-analog converter when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

9. The digital cellular handset of claim 7 further comprising a data electronic switch selectively switchable between a first condition in which said digital cellular/microcontroller is connected to an external data interface when said handset is in normal data mode, and a second condition in which said digital cellular processor/microcontroller is connected to said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

10. The digital cellular handset of claim 8 further comprising a data electronic switch selectively switchable between a first condition in which said digital cellular/microcontroller is connected to an external data interface when said handset is in normal data mode, and a second condition in which said digital cellular processor/microcontroller is connected to said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

11. The digital cellular handset of claim 7 wherein said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream is packetized in accordance with one of the H.323, Session Initiation Protocol (SIP), and Media Gateway Control Protocol (MGCP) Internet protocols.

12. The digital cellular handset of claim 11 wherein

said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller includes memory for storing Internet protocol software, and said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller runs said Internet protocol software to unpacketize and process said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into said voice data stream.

13. A digital cellular handset comprising:

an antenna;

a radio transceiver connected to said antenna;

a radio digital-to-analog converter connected to said transceiver;

a digital cellular processor/microcontroller connected to said radio digital-to-analog converters;

an Internet protocol processor/microcontroller connected to said digital cellular processor/microcontroller;

an audio analog-to-digital converter connected to said Internet protocol processor/microcontroller; and

a microphone connected to said audio analog-to-digital converter; wherein,

the microphone receives analog waveforms, the audio analog-to-digital converter converts said analog waveforms into raw data signals, the Internet protocol

processor/microcontroller packetizes and processes said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream, the digital cellular processor/microcontroller processes said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a digital cellular compatible data stream, the radio digital-to-analog converter converts said digital

cellular compatible data stream into analog signals, and the

transceiver converts the analog signals into a modulated radio carrier signal which is applied to said antenna.

14. The digital cellular handset of claim 13 further  
5 comprising a voice electronic switch selectively switchable  
between a first condition in which said digital cellular  
processor/microcontroller is connected to said audio analog-  
to-digital and digital-to-analog converters when said handset  
is in normal voice mode, and a second condition in which said  
10 Internet protocol processor/microcontroller is connected to  
said audio analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog converters  
when said handset is in voice over IP mode.

15. The digital cellular handset of claim 13 further  
15 comprising a data electronic switch selectively switchable  
between a first condition in which said digital  
cellular/microcontroller is connected to an external data  
interface when said handset is in normal data mode, and a  
second condition in which said digital cellular  
20 processor/microcontroller is connected to said Internet  
protocol processor/microcontroller when said handset is in  
voice over IP mode.

16. The digital cellular handset of claim 14 further  
25 comprising a data electronic switch selectively switchable  
between a first condition in which said digital  
cellular/microcontroller is connected to an external data  
interface when said handset is in normal data mode, and a  
second condition in which said digital cellular  
30 processor/microcontroller is connected to said Internet





20. The method of claim 19 further comprising the steps of:

receiving analog waveforms;

converting said analog waveforms into raw data

5 signals;

packetizing said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream;

processing said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a digital cellular compatible data  
10 stream;

converting said digital cellular compatible data stream into radio signals; and

transmitting said radio signals to a digital cellular network.

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21. A method of digital cellular communications comprising the steps of:

receiving analog waveforms;

converting said analog waveforms into raw data

20 signals;

packetizing said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream;

processing said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a digital cellular compatible data  
25 stream;

converting said digital cellular compatible data stream into radio signals; and

transmitting said radio signals to a digital cellular network.

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22. A method of initiating digital cellular communications over the Internet between a first Internet protocol enabled device and a second Internet protocol enabled device comprising the steps of:

5       ~~✕~~generating an SMS message with the Internet Protocol (IP) address of the first Internet protocol enabled device embedded therein;

          forwarding said SMS message to the second Internet protocol enabled device;

10       ~~✕~~extracting the IP address from said SMS message; and  
          using the IP address to connect the second Internet protocol enabled device to the first Internet protocol enabled device over the Internet.

15 23. The method of claim 22 further comprising the steps of the first Internet protocol enabled device:

          receiving radio signals from a digital cellular network;

          converting said radio signals into raw data signals;

20       processing said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream;

          unpacketizing said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a voice data stream;

25       converting said voice data stream into analog waveforms; and

          broadcasting said analog waveforms.

24. The method of claim 23 further comprising the steps of the first Internet protocol enabled device:

30       receiving analog waveforms;

converting said analog waveforms into raw data signals;

packetizing said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream;

5 processing said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a digital cellular compatible data stream;

converting said digital cellular compatible data stream into radio signals; and

10 transmitting said radio signals to a digital cellular network.

25. The method of claim 22 further comprising the steps of:

15 connecting to an Internet service provider; attributing an IP address to the first Internet protocol enabled device; and

forwarding said IP address to the first Internet protocol enabled device.

20 26. The method of claim 22 wherein the SMS message further includes an Internet Protocol call request embedded therein.

25 27. A method of initiating digital cellular communications over the Internet comprising the steps of:

receiving an SMS message with an Internet Protocol (IP) address embedded therein;

30 extracting the IP address from said SMS message; and using the IP address to connect to an Internet

protocol enabled device.

28.           The method of claim 27 wherein the step of using the IP address to connect to an Internet protocol enabled device

5 includes the steps of:

receiving analog waveforms;

converting said analog waveforms into raw data signals;

10 packetizing said raw data signals into a voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream;

processing said voice over Internet Protocol packetized data stream into a digital cellular compatible data stream;

15 converting said digital cellular compatible data stream into radio signals; and

transmitting said radio signals to a digital cellular network for forwarding to said Internet protocol enabled device.